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Dear SNEWGA Members, Reps and Club Presidents,

First Tee – Connecticut is entering their 25th year of working with young people to learn essential life skills through the game of golf. For nearly fifteen years SNEWGA has participated in an initiative to support First Tee and Girls Golf in particular. We accomplish this with our annual raffle held at Team Day to raise funds for First Tee. Two members will win a day of golf at one of Connecticut's finest courses for a foursome with carts.

There are three ways to participate. Some clubs provide an opportunity on their membership forms to indicate donations for First Tee. You may also write a personal check made directly payable to First Tee-Connecticut. SNEWGA also provides the opportunity to donate online whenever you are signing up for a tournament on Golf Genius.

First Tee-Connecticut has been a recognized USGA*LPGA Girls Golf location since 2013. SNEWGA has designated that ALL of our donations be directed to this part of First Tee-Connecticut. We want to ensure that we directly impact young women and expose them to the enjoyment of this wonderful game. LPGA-Girls Golf goals are similar to those of First Tee with a special emphasis on developing the confidence and self-esteem of the young women in the program. The program is led by an all-female coaching staff reinforcing that this great game is for everyone at every stage of her life.

Each donation of \$5 will get you a ticket for the raffle. So enter often and early. The raffle will be held on Team Day Monday July 29th. You need not be present to win.

Any questions, please contact me at KarisCT@aol.com or 203.216.6184 mobile.

Thank you for helping First Tee to assist young Connecticut female golfers gain exposure to the game and derive a multitude of benefits from this great game of golf that we all love.

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